UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : Civil Case No. 3:05CV323

Plaintiff, : Judge Thomas M. Rose

VS.

UNITED STATES CURRENCY \$5,000.00,

et al.,

:

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING UNITED STATES' MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS

This matter is before the Court upon the United States' Motion pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §981(g)(1) to stay the proceedings in this civil forfeiture action until the completion of a related criminal investigation and prosecution on the grounds that civil discovery would adversely affect the ability of the Government to conduct the related criminal investigation and prosecution.

The Court hereby finds that civil discovery would adversely affect the ability of the Government to conduct a related criminal investigation and prosecution.

Consequently, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

The United States' Motion to Stay Proceedings is granted, and this case shall be stayed until further order of the Court; and

Until the Stay is lifted, the United States shall file quarterly status reports.

Thomas M. Rose
United States District Judge